

# Civil Engineering Technician - Seasonal Job Opportunity with the Boise National Forest



## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



The USDA Forest Service, Boise National Forest anticipates filling 1 to 2 Civil Engineering Technician positions for up to 6 months. The positions will likely start in mid-May and end in mid-November. This position will be filled at the GS-802-4 level, dependent on experience.

**Position Description:** The position will serve as an engineering technician primarily focusing on surveying and preconstruction activities related to road and facilities construction/maintenance. Job duties include assisting site surveys using a total station, new road preconstruction surveys using basic measuring devices such as cloth tape and compass, traffic counter surveys, and staking of project sites prior to construction. Other duties may include assisting in evaluations and recording of findings at various facilities including culverts, bridges, buildings, and water systems.

The selected individual will work 5-8 hour (Monday-Friday) or 4-10 hour days (Monday to Thursday) each week depending on the site location and terrain. Approximately 75% of the work will require working in remote locations in all types of weather. The position requires hiking over long distances (5+ miles per day) carrying equipment weighing up to 40 lbs over rough terrain. Work will occur in a variety of terrains including steep terrain, and on existing road beds that may be heavily brushed in. Overnight camping over one to two days may be required in some locations and travel per diem is provided. Candidates must have a valid driver's license and have the ability to operate four wheel drive vehicles on rough, steep, narrow, unpaved roads.

**Wages (2013 values):** Depending on qualifications, the job grade and corresponding pay ranges are: GS-04 (\$13.41/hour). In addition, employees receive a daily travel per diem for each work day while camping. All federal holidays earn 8 hours of holiday pay. Typically new seasonal employees will earn 4 hours of Sick Leave per pay period (2 weeks) and 4 hours of Annual Leave per pay period. Health insurance is NOT available.

**Duty Station:** The Boise National Forest Supervisors Office located in Boise, Idaho will be the duty station. Boise is the largest city in Idaho and has all the amenities of a large city. Because work sites are often greater than two hours from the duty station overnight stays are common during the work week.

**Housing:** Seasonal bunkhouse housing with an approximately 20 mile commute may be available. Bunkhouse rates apply and typically are between \$4.25- \$5 per day. Family housing is not available.

**Important Dates:** Your application must be completed by February 19, 2013 to be considered.

**Additional Questions:** Contact Dave Woras @ 208-392-6681, [dworas@fs.fed.us](mailto:dworas@fs.fed.us)

**Applying for the Job:** The position is being advertised on USAJOBS ([www.usajobs.gov](http://www.usajobs.gov)) under the announcement numbers listed below.

**Step 1**—Create a USAJOBS account (if you do not already have one). It is recommended that as part of your profile you set up automatic email notification to be informed when the status of your application changes. If you choose not to set up this automatic notification, you will need to log into your USAJOBS account to check on the status of your application.

**Step 2** — Create a resume with USAJOBS or upload a resume into your USAJOBS account profile. You may want to customize your resume to ensure it accurately depicts your duties and accomplishments as they pertain to the position for which you’re applying. Include accurate information about the length of time you performed such duties as it is a key factor in determining whether or not you qualify for a specific grade. In addition, your resume must support your responses to the online questionnaire (you may preview the online questionnaire by clicking on the link at the end of the “How You Will Be Evaluated” section of the job announcement).

**Step 3** — Search for the job announcement number in USJOBS: **TEMPOCR-o8o2-o4-CIV-ENG-DT**  
You may update your application or documents anytime while the announcement is open. Simply log into your USA-JOBS account and click on “Application Status.” Click on the position title, and then select “Update Application” to continue.

If you need assistance with navigating through the USAJOBS website, please visit:  
[https://help.usajobs.gov/index.php/Main\\_Page](https://help.usajobs.gov/index.php/Main_Page)

And to learn more about the Boise National Forest, go to <http://www.fs.usda.gov/boise>